

MEMORANDUM

TO: HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TASK FORCE MEMBERS

FROM: CHRISTIE HERRERA, HHS TASK FORCE DIRECTOR

RE: 35-DAY MAILING—HHS TASK FORCE MEETING AT ALEC'S 2010 STATES AND

NATION POLICY SUMMIT, WASHINGTON, D.C.

DATE: OCTOBER 27, 2010

Overview of HHS Activities at ALEC's 2010 States and Nation Policy Summit

The American Legislative Exchange Council will hold its 2010 States and Nation Policy Summit (SNPS) from December 1-3 at the <u>Grand Hyatt Washington</u> in D.C. A SNPS <u>agenda</u> and <u>registration page</u> are now online, and the cutoff for early bird registration is November 10.

Please "save the date" for the following HHS activities at SNPS:

Wednesday, December 1

10:00-11:30 a.m. (tentative time)

Panel Discussion

"Everything You Wanted to Know About Health Reform, But Were Afraid to Ask"

Join nationally-renowned health policy experts as they discuss the latest with the federal health reform law—including lawsuits, exchanges, Hill efforts on defunding/repeal, and how state legislators can fight back. All ALEC SNPS attendees are invited to participate in this important discussion.

12:00-2:00 p.m.

Opening Luncheon on Health Reform

SPEAKERS: Brian Goff, Novartis Corporation and Former U.S. House Speaker Newt Gingrich

2:15-3:30 p.m.

Workshop #1

"Comparative Effectiveness Research: Rationing Care or Improving Quality?"

Comparative effectiveness research, a major part of federal health reform, is often hailed as the "next best thing" in health care. Supporters say that comparative effectiveness research—which studies clinical effectiveness of different health treatments—will result in lower costs and better patient care. But a growing number of researchers, physicians, and patients say that comparative effectiveness research can potentially lead rationing of health services and prescription drugs, the politicization of medicine, and the government picking "winners and losers" in the industry. Join nationally-renowned health care experts as they discuss comparative effectiveness research, its shortcomings, and its possibilities.

<u>SPEAKERS:</u> Scott Gottlieb, Resident Fellow, American Enterprise Institute; Bob Goldberg, President, Center for Medicine in the Public Interest; Michael Cannon, Director of Health Policy Studies, Cato Institute

Thursday, December 2 2:30-5:30 p.m. HHS Task Force Meeting

ALEC's Health and Human Services Task Force will meet to discuss a number of hot topics, including an update on health reform, an in-depth look at health care lawsuits, and the promise of private charity initiatives. Proposed ALEC models will be considered on federal health reform, interstate insurance compacts, and wellness programs.

Friday, December 3

8:00 a.m.-2:15 p.m.

Plenary Breakfast, Workshop #8, Workshop #10, Plenary Luncheon Federalism/10th Amendment Issues

Save the date for an entire day of federalism/10th Amendment workshops and meal sessions, including policy discussions on health reform. More details forthcoming!

About This Mailing

In addition to this electronic-only 35-Day Mailing, all materials can be accessed online at the HHS Task Force Member Area on ALEC's website. Once you are logged in, click the "HHS 35 Day Mailing" document at the top of the page to find the 35-Day Mailing in one complete PDF, or click on the "2010 States & Nation Policy Summit" folder to access the mailing's individual documents.

Keep in mind that you will need your ALEC username and password to access the 35-Day Mailing online. Conversely, if you choose to receive 35-Day Mailings via "snail mail," please contact Monica Mastracco at 202-742-8525 or at mmastracco@alec.org. We will assume that you prefer the 35-Day Mailing e-mailed to you unless you indicate otherwise.

Enclosed Materials

Please find the following HHS briefing materials enclosed for SNPS:

- Faxable registration form for SNPS
- Agenda-At-A-Glance for SNPS
- Tentative Agenda for the HHS Task Force Meeting
- Potential Model Legislation:
 - Unintended Consequences Prevention Act, sponsored by Georgia Senator Judson Hill
 - Insurance Compact Enabling Act, sponsored by Goldwater Institute's Byron Schlomach
 - Supplements to the *Insurance Compact Enabling Act*: Model Notice of Confirmation and Model Interstate Insurance Compact (for information purposes only)
 - Wellness Promotion Act, sponsored by Georgia Senator Judson Hill
- HHS Task Force Roster
- Draft Minutes from the HHS Task Force Meeting at ALEC's 37th Annual Meeting
- ALEC's Mission Statement/Scholarship Policy by Meeting/Task Force Operating Procedures

Questions?

I look forward to seeing everyone in D.C. If you have any questions or comments regarding the meeting, please contact me at (202) 742-8505 or at christie@alec.org. Thank you for all you do to make ALEC a great organization for great health care policy!

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December 1-3, 2010

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Plenary Breakfast	8:00 a.m 9:15 a.m.	Independence A
Exhibit Hall	9:00 a.m 3:00 p.m.	Independence Foyer
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Workshop VIII: Overcriminalization	9:30 a.m 10:45 a.m.	Lafayette Park
Workshop IX: A Tax in Sheep's Clothing: How Extended Producer Responsibility Mandates Can Hurt Consumers and Business	11:00 a.m 12:15 p.m.	Farragut Square
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International Relations		Constitution B
Louisiana Preview Reception for 2011 Annual Meeting	5:30 p.m 6:30 p.m.	Franklin Square
State Delegation Night	Beginning at 6:30 p.m.	See Your State Chair

^{*} Agenda subject to change.



Health and Human Services Task Force Meeting ALEC's 2010 States and Nation Policy Summit Thursday, December 2, 2010 2:30 - 5:30 p.m. Grand Hyatt Washington, Independence Ballroom CDE

TENTATIVE AGENDA

2:30 p.m. **Welcoming Remarks Roundtable Introduction of Task Force Members and Guests** Recognition of New and Returning ALEC Private Sector Members Approval of Minutes from ALEC's 37th Annual Meeting **Explanation of Task Force Chair Succession** Iowa Representative Linda Upmeyer, Public Sector Chair Julie Corcoran, Bayer Healthcare, Private Sector Chair SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS Health Reform: Where It Is, Where It's Going

2:45 p.m. Jeff Buel, Johnson & Johnson

3:00 p.m. Association of American Physicians and Surgeons v. Sebelius Larry Joseph, attorney for the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons

Private Charity Initiative 3:15 p.m. James Lansberry, Alliance of Health Care Sharing Ministries

3:30 p.m. MODEL LEGISLATION: DISCUSSION AND VOTING Unintended Consequences Prevention Act Sponsored by Georgia Senator Judson Hill

Insurance Compact Enabling Act (dual-referred to ALEC's CIED and HHS Task Forces) 4:15 p.m. Sponsored by Byron Schlomach, Goldwater Institute

5:00 p.m. Wellness Promotion Act Sponsored by Georgia Senator Judson Hill

5:30 p.m. Good of the Order/Adjournment

Tentative Agenda 1

UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES PREVENTION ACT (DRAFT, DECEMBER 2, 2010)

SUMMARY

This Act provides that no state department or agency shall implement or enforce any provision of the federal *Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act* unless the department or agency provides a certain report to the legislature, and the legislature authorizes such implementation or enforcement by statute.

MODEL LEGISLATION

Section 1. Findings. The legislature finds that:

- A. {Insert state}'s health care system has been developed to address the unique circumstances in {insert state} and to provide solutions that work for {insert state}; and
- B. The federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act:
 - 1. Infringes on state powers;
 - 2. Imposes a uniform solution to a problem that requires different responses in different states;
 - 3. Threatens the progress **{insert state}** has made towards health care system reform; and
 - 4. Infringes on the rights of citizens of this state to provide for their own health care by:
 - a. Requiring a person to enroll in a third-party payment system;
 - b. Imposing fines on a person who chooses to pay directly for health care rather than use a third-party payer;
 - c. Imposing fines on an employer that does not meet federal standards for providing health care benefits for employees; and
 - d. Threatening private health care systems with competing government supported health care systems.

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Section 2. Model Legislation

- A. A department or agency of this state shall not implement or enforce any part of the federal *Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act* unless:
 - 1. The department or agency reports to the legislature in accordance with Subsection B of this section; and
 - 2. The legislature passes legislation specifically authorizing the state's implementation or enforcement of the federal *Patient Protection and*

Affordable Care Act, if such implementation or enforcement authority does not already exist.

- B. The report required under Subsection A of this section shall include:
 - 1. The specific section of the federal *Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act* that requires the state to implement or enforce a federal reform provision;
 - 2. Whether the reform provision has any state waiver or options;
 - 3. Exactly what the reform provision requires the state to do and how it would be implemented;
 - 4. Who in the state will be impacted by adopting the federal reform provision or not adopting the federal reform provision;
 - 5. The cost to the state or citizens of the state to implement the federal reform provision;
 - 6. The consequences to the state if the state does not comply with the federal reform provision.

Section 3. {Severability Clause}

Section 4. {Repealer Clause}

Section 5. {Effective Date}

INSURANCE COMPACT ENABLING ACT (DRAFT, DECEMBER 2, 2010)

SUMMARY

This Act allows a state, along with party states, to exercise sovereign police powers and solemnly agree to the following Interstate Insurance Compact.

MODEL LEGISLATION

Section 1. Findings and Declaration of Policy.

- A. **{Insert state}** and the party states find public health, safety, and morals, as well as individual liberty and economic development, are best served by open and competitive insurance markets and the freedom to sell and purchase insurance products without unreasonable governmental interference.
- B. It is the policy of **{insert state}** and the party states to:
 - 1. Secure the right of any insurance company that is lawfully doing business within the jurisdiction of any compacting state to reciprocal access to any corresponding intrastate insurance market within the jurisdiction of any compacting state; and
 - 2. Secure the right of any person that is domiciled in any compacting state to maintain freedom of choice among insurance policies, as well as the coverage and terms of existing insurance policies, in any and all compacting states.

Section 2. Definitions. As used in this Compact:

- A. "State" means a state of the United States.
- B. "Insurance policy" means any contract in which one person promises and undertakes, in exchange for consideration of a set or assessed amount of money, to make a payment to either another party or a third-party if a specified event occurs involving a loss, casualty, illness, bodily injury, or death.
- C. "Insurance company" means any organization that offers insurance policies.

Section 3. Terms.

- A. Any insurance company doing business within the jurisdiction of any compacting state, in compliance with the laws of that state, has the vested right to do business within the jurisdiction of all compacting states under the same terms and conditions.
- B. Any insurance company that is doing business within the jurisdiction of any compacting state, in compliance with the laws of that state, shall have unhindered reciprocal access to any corresponding intrastate insurance market within the jurisdiction of any other compacting state.
- C. Any person who is domiciled in any compacting state and who has contracted for any insurance policy in compliance with the laws of that state has the vested right to maintain the coverage and terms of that policy in all compacting states regardless of domicile.

- D. Any person who is domiciled in any compacting state shall not be prohibited by law from purchasing or selling any insurance policy that is offered in compliance with the laws of any compacting state.
- E. No law or regulation shall compel, directly or indirectly, any person to purchase any insurance policy as a condition of lawful residency.
- F. No person shall be required to pay penalties or fines for paying directly for goods or services that might otherwise be paid through an insurance policy.

Section 4. Enforcement.

- A. Anyone knowingly interfering with the foregoing terms and conditions shall have committed both a civil rights violation and a criminal offense under the laws of the party state in which such interference occurs.
- B. Redress for any civil rights violation hereunder shall be available in the courts of any party state both for the victim of such interference and for any taxpaying resident of any party state, the latter of whom shall be regarded as acting in the public interest on behalf of the party state in which they reside.
- C. Remedies for any civil rights violation hereunder shall include compensatory monetary damages, court costs, litigation expenses, attorney's fees, as well as declaratory and injunctive relief.
- D. Any criminal offense hereunder shall be punishable by a prison sentence of up to five years and a fine of not less than \$5,000.
- E. The chief law enforcement officer of each party state shall coordinate criminal offense enforcement efforts under this Section with other party states.

Section 5. Compact Adminstrator and Interchange of Information.

- A. The governor of each party state, or the governor's designee, shall be the "compact administrator" of this compact for his or her state. The compact administrator shall have the power to formulate all necessary and proper procedures to effectuate this compact, and to delegate needed tasks to state agencies.
- B. The compact administrator of each party state shall furnish to the compact administrator of each other party state any information or documents reasonably necessary to facilitate the administration of this Compact.

Section 6. Entry Into Force and Withdrawal.

- A. This Compact shall enter into force and become effective as to any state when it has enacted the same into law.
- B. Any party state may withdraw from this Compact by enacting a statute repealing the same, but no such withdrawal shall take effect until four years after the executive head of the withdrawing state has given notice of the withdrawal to the executive heads of all other party states. No withdrawal shall affect the validity or applicability

of the Compact to states remaining party to the Compact. Party states shall have the power to rescind any notice of withdrawal within said four year period.

Section 7. Construction and Severability.

A. This Compact shall be liberally construed so as to effectuate the purposes thereof. If it receives congressional consent, it is intended to operate as the law of the nation with respect to the party states and to stop the federal government from engaging in any action inconsistent with the grant of congressional consent. The provisions of this Compact shall be severable; and if any phrase, clause, sentence, or provision of this Compact is declared to be contrary to the constitution of any party state or of the United States or the applicability thereof to any government, agency, person, or circumstance is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this Compact and the applicability thereof to any government, agency, person, or circumstance shall not be affected thereby. If this Compact shall be held contrary to the constitution of any state party thereto, the Compact shall remain in full force and effect as to remaining states and in full force and effect as to the state affected as to all severable matters.

- B. The governor of each signing state shall be responsible for effectuating the Interstate Insurance Compact and delegating needed tasks to state agencies.
- C. The compact administrator provided for in Section 5 of this Compact shall not be entitled to any additional compensation on account of his service as such administrator, but shall be entitled to expenses incurred in connection with his duties and responsibilities as such administrator, in the same manner as for expenses incurred in connection with any other duties or responsibilities of his office or employment.
- D. The Interstate Insurance Compact shall supersede and control all contrary law.

Section 8. {Effective Date}

SUPPLEMENT TO INSURANCE COMPACT ENABLING ACT: MODEL NOTICE OF CONFIRMATION

WHEREAS, The Interstate Insurance Compact was formed to provide means through which the signing jurisdictions may participate in a reciprocal program to effectuate the stated policies and purposes of the Compact, and

WHEREAS, Authority to enter the Compact is contained in {insert statute}; and

WHEREAS, The Compact will serve to mutually benefit the residents, businesses, and the operation of government in the party jurisdictions.

NOW THEREFORE, In consideration of the mutual and reciprocal benefits to flow therefrom, and pursuant to the authority contained in **{insert statutory citation of authority}**, the "Interstate Insurance Compact" is hereby confirmed.

FURTHER PROVIDED That the desired date of entry {is/was} {insert date}; and (Drafting Note: Effective date of entry must be at least 60 days after notification is given to other compact members by the Secretary.)

FURTHER PROVIDED That this jurisdiction agrees to comply with the terms and provisions of the Compact.

Authority for administration of this Compact within this jurisdiction is vested in the office of the governor of each signing state, unless a different administrator is designated by the governor.

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DATED: {Insert date}

FOR THE STATE OF: {Insert state}

TITLE: {Insert title of compact administrator}

SIGNATURE: {Display signature of compact administrator}

For Secretary Use:
Notice Received {insert date}
Notice sent to Compact members {insert date}

SUPPLEMENT TO INSURANCE COMPACT ENABLING ACT: MODEL INTERSTATE INSURANCE COMPACT

The Party States herewith exercise their sovereign police powers and solemnly agree to the following articles of the Interstate Insurance Compact.

Article I. Findings and Declaration of Policy.

- 1. The Party States find public health, safety and morals, as well as individual liberty and economic development, are best served by open and competitive insurance markets and the freedom to sell and purchase insurance products without unreasonable governmental interference.
- 2. It is the policy of each of the Party States to:
- A. Secure the right of any insurance company that is lawfully doing business within the jurisdiction of any Compacting state to reciprocal access to any corresponding intrastate insurance market within the jurisdiction of any Compacting state; and
- B. Secure the right of any person that is domiciled in any Compacting state to maintain freedom of choice among insurance policies, as well as the coverage and terms of existing insurance policies, in any and all Compacting states.

Article II. Definitions. As used in this Compact:

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- 3. "Insurance company" means any organization that offers insurance policies.

Article III. Terms.

- 1. Any insurance company doing business within the jurisdiction of any Compacting state, in compliance with the laws of that state, has the vested right to do business within the jurisdiction of all Compacting states under the same terms and conditions.
- 2. Any insurance company that is doing business within the jurisdiction of any Compacting state, in compliance with the laws of that state, shall have unhindered reciprocal access to any corresponding intrastate insurance market within the jurisdiction of any other Compacting state.
- 3. Any person who is domiciled in any Compacting state and who has contracted for any insurance policy in compliance with the laws of that state has the vested right to maintain the coverage and terms of that policy in all Compacting states regardless of domicile.
- 4. Any person who is domiciled in any Compacting state shall not be prohibited by law from purchasing or selling any insurance policy that is offered in compliance with the laws of any Compacting state.

- 5. No law or regulation shall compel, directly or indirectly, any person to purchase any insurance policy as a condition of lawful residency.
- 6. No person shall be required to pay penalties or fines for paying directly for goods or services that might otherwise be paid through an insurance policy.

Article IV. Enforcement.

- 1. Anyone knowingly interfering with the foregoing terms and conditions shall have committed both a civil rights violation and a criminal offense under the laws of the Party State in which such interference occurs.
- 2. Redress for any civil rights violation hereunder shall be available in the courts of any Party State both for the victim of such interference and for any taxpaying resident of any Party State, the latter of whom shall be regarded as acting in the public interest on behalf of the Party State in which they reside.
- 3. Remedies for any civil rights violation hereunder shall include compensatory monetary damages, court costs, litigation expenses, attorney's fees, as well as declaratory and injunctive relief.
- 4. Any criminal offense hereunder shall be punishable by a prison sentence of up to five years and a fine of not less than \$5,000.
- 5. The chief law enforcement officer of each Party State shall coordinate criminal offense enforcement efforts under this Article with other Party States.

Article V. Compact Administrator and Interchange of Information.

- 1. The governor of each Party State, or the governor's designee, shall be the "Compact Administrator" of this Compact for his or her state. The Compact Administrator shall have the power to formulate all necessary and proper procedures to effectuate this Compact, and to delegate needed tasks to other state agencies.
- 2. The Compact Administrator of each Party State shall furnish to the Compact Administrator of each other Party State any information or documents reasonably necessary to facilitate the administration of this Compact.

Article VI. Entry Into Force and Withdrawal.

- 1. This Compact shall enter into force and become effective as to any state when it has enacted the same into law.
- 2. Any Party State may withdraw from this Compact by enacting a statute repealing the same, but no such withdrawal shall take effect until four years after the executive head of the withdrawing state has given notice of the withdrawal to the executive heads of all other Party States. No withdrawal shall affect the validity or applicability of the Compact to states remaining party to the Compact. Party States shall have the power to rescind any notice of withdrawal within said four year period.
- **Article VII. Construction and Severability.** This Compact shall be liberally construed so as to effectuate the purposes thereof. If it receives congressional consent, it is intended to

operate as the Law of the Nation with respect to the Party States and to stop the federal government from engaging in any action inconsistent with the grant of congressional consent. The provisions of this Compact shall be severable; and if any phrase, clause, sentence, or provision of this Compact is declared to be contrary to the constitution of any Party State or of the United States or the applicability thereof to any government, agency, person, or circumstance is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this Compact and the applicability thereof to any government, agency, person, or circumstance shall not be affected thereby. If this Compact shall be held contrary to the constitution of any state party thereto, the Compact shall remain in full force and effect as to remaining states and in full force and effect as to the state affected as to all severable matters.

WELLNESS PROMOTION ACT (DRAFT, DECEMBER 2, 2010)

SUMMARY

This Act requires insurers that issue plans of individual accident and sickness insurance to include, within at least one plan, a wellness incentive program.

MODEL LEGISLATION

Section 1. Insurers that issue plans of individual accident and sickness insurance in this state shall include within at least one such plan offered in this state a wellness incentive program under which the insurer shall provide annually a partial premium cash reimbursement for those insureds under such policy who meet the requirements of such wellness incentive program, including, but not limited to, participating in wellness and health promotion programs, disease and condition management programs, and health risk appraisal programs and providing biometric data, such as blood pressure levels, cholesterol levels, and body mass index values, conforming with nationally recognized standards based upon age or industry recognized biometrics.

Section 2. {Severability Clause} Section 3. {Repealer Clause} Section 4. {Effective Date}

Wellness Promotion Act

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Legislative Members in Attendance (15)

Rep. Jeff Barnhart, North Carolina

Sen. Tom Buford, Kentucky

Rep. Charlice Byrd, Georgia

Sen. Eugene "Buck" Clarke, Mississippi

Rep. Doug Ericksen, Washington

Rep. Nora Espinoza, New Mexico

Rep. Dave Frizzell, Indiana

Sen. Judson Hill, Georgia

Rep. Bill Kennemer, Oregon

Rep. Linda Miller, Iowa

Rep. Jimmy Patronis, Florida

Rep. Pam Peterson, Oklahoma

Rep. Scott Schwab, Kansas

Sen. Renee Unterman, Georgia

Rep. Linda Upmeyer, Iowa

Legislative Alternates in Attendance (1)

Rep. Sue Allen, Missouri

Private Sector Members in Attendance (33)

1-800 Contacts: Jay Magure Allergan: Bob Broadus

Alliance of Health Care Sharing Ministries: Joe Guarino, James Lansberry

America's Health Insurance Plans: Dianne Bricker American Optometric Association: Jerald Combs

AMERIGROUP: Pamela Perry

Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield: Ann Kuhns, John Willey

AstraZeneca/MedImmune: Libby Brunsvold, Kevin Johnson, Theresa Jolivette, Meg Propes

Association of American Physicians & Surgeons: Jane Orient

Bayer: Mike Birdsong Bryan Cave: Frank Plescia CVS Caremark: Mike Sargent

Daiichi Sankyo: Holli Hill, Julie Vojtech

Express Scripts: Michael Harrold

GlaxoSmithKline: Jody Fischer, Jack Graham, Thelma Harris, Gaspar Laca, Robert Luria, Gary

Salamido, Kurt Stembridge

Guarantee Trust Life Insurance: Marianne Eterno

John Locke Foundation: Joe Coletti

Mackinac Center for Public Policy: Jack McHugh

Medco: Cindy Laubacher Medtronic: Rob Clark

Merck: Marlene Sanders, Jim Vance Pacific Research Institute: John Graham Pfizer: Darrick LeBeouf, Amber Pearce

Pharmaceutical Care Management Association: Jessica Mazer

PhRMA: Kristin Parde

Purdue Pharma: Linda Barefoot Reynolds American: Greg Osmon Sanofi-Aventis: Rebecca Waldrop

Takeda: John Schlatter

Teva: Jake Hansen, Jerry Moore

Texas Public Policy Foundation: Arlene Wohlgemuth

The Doctors Company: Sal Bianco

United: Jeff Drozda

Wal-Mart: Laurie Smalling

Invited Guests in Attendance (0)

Others in Attendance (16)

Rep. Nancy Barto, Arizona

Rep. Ellen Brandom, Missouri

Keli Coleman, Eisai, Inc.

Rep. Kristin Conzet, South Dakota

Sen. Don East, North Carolina

April Grant, Forest Labratories

Chris Oswald, Reed Elsevier

Rep. Bob Ramsey, Tennessee

Rep. Barbara Sears, Ohio

Jonathan Small, Oklahoma Insurance Department

Rep. Fred Steen, North Carolina

Rep. Amy Stephens, Colorado

Rep. Eric Turner, Indiana

Rep. Addia Wuchner, Kentucky

J.P. Wieske, Council for Affordable Health Insurance

Erik Woehrmann, Walgreens

Staff in Attendance (4)

Christie Herrera, ALEC HHS Task Force Director Soren Kreider, ALEC HHS Intern Monica Mastracco, ALEC HHS Legislative Assistant Jonathan Moody, ALEC Director of Donor Relations

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Meeting began at 9:30 a.m.

The meeting began with an introduction of the HHS Task Force Executive Committee; roundtable introductions of HHS Task Force meeting attendees; and approval of the minutes from ALEC's 2010 Spring Task Force Summit.

HHS Task Force Director Christie Herrera updated task force members on ALEC's Health Reform Initiative and recognized ALEC HHS Task Force legislators who introduced ALEC HHS models in 2010. Christie also introduced Monica Mastracco, the new HHS Legislative Assistant, welcoming her to the task force.

The HHS Task Force saw several presentations from ALEC members: Joe Guarino from the Alliance of Health Care Sharing Ministries discussed Virginia's success with ALEC's *Freedom of Choice in Health Care Act*; Sal Bianco of The Doctors Company presented "ALEC's *Taking the Best* and the Federal Health Reform Debate;" and John Graham of Pacific Research Institute discussed his new book on "Medical Tort: Ranking in the 50 States."

HHS Task Force members considered the *Resolution on Point of Service Reimbursement*, sponsored by Libby Brunsvold of AstraZeneca/MedImmune. After discussion, the *Resolution on Point of Service Reimbursement* was tabled.

HHS Task Force members considered the *Patients First Medicaid Reform Act*, sponsored by John Locke Foundation's Joe Coletti. After discussion, John Graham of the Pacific Research Institute called the question, and Arlene Wohlgemuth from the Texas Public Policy Foundation seconded. The public sector vote was 11 Yes, 3 No; the private sector vote was 13 Yes, 5 No. The *Patients First Medicaid Reform Act* was approved.

HHS Task Force Members considered the *Medication Therapy Management Services Act*, sponsored by North Carolina Representative Jeff Barnhart and Gaspar Laca of GlaxoSmithKline. After discussion, North Carolina Representative Jeff Barnhart called the question, which was seconded. The public sector vote was 6 Yes, 7 No, and a private sector vote was not taken. The *Medication Therapy Management Services Act* failed.

Finally, HHS Task Force Members considered the *Resolution on Improving Quality and Lowering Costs for State Through Medicaid Managed Care*, sponsored by Georgia Senator Renee Unterman. After discussion, the question was called. The public sector vote was 8 Yes, 2 No; the private sector vote was 10 Yes, 1 No. The *Resolution on Improving Quality and Lowering Costs for State Through Medicaid Managed Care* was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

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Mission Statement

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To advance the Jeffersonian Principles of free markets, limited government, federalism, and individual liberty through a nonpartisan public-private partnership among America's state legislators, concerned members of the private sector, the federal government, and the general public.

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To enlist state legislators from all parties and members of the private sector who share ALEC's mission.

To conduct a policy making program that unites members of the public and private sector in a dynamic partnership to support research, policy development, and dissemination activities.

To prepare the next generation of political leadership through educational programs that promote the principles of Jeffersonian democracy, which are necessary for a free society.



SCHOLARSHIP POLICY BY MEETING

ALEC Spring Task Force Summit:

- 1. **Spring Task Force Summit Reimbursement Form:** ALEC Task Force Members are reimbursed by ALEC up to a predetermined set limit for travel expenses. Receipts must be forwarded to the ALEC Policy Coordinator and approved by the Director of Policy.
- 2. ALEC Task Force Members' room & tax fees for a two-night stay are covered by ALEC.
- 3. Official Alternate Task Force Members (chosen by the State Chair and whose names are given to ALEC more than 35 days prior to the meeting to serve in place of a Task Force Member who cannot attend) are reimbursed in the same manner as Task Force Members.
- 4. **State Scholarship Reimbursement Form**: Any fees above the set limit, or expenses other than travel and room expenses can be submitted by Task Force Members for payment from their state scholarship account upon the approval of the State Chair. Receipts must be submitted to the State Chair, who will submit the signed form to the Director of Membership.
- 5. Non-Task Force Members can be reimbursed out of the state scholarship fund upon State Chair approval. Receipts must be submitted to the State Chair, who will submit the appropriate signed form to the Director of Membership.

ALEC Annual Meeting.

State Scholarship Reimbursement Form: State scholarship funds are available for reimbursement by approval of your ALEC State Chair. Expenses are reimbursed after the conference, and may cover the cost of travel, room & tax, and registration. Receipts are to be submitted to the State Chair, who will then submit the signed form to the Director of Membership.

ALEC States & Nation Policy Summit:

- 1. States & Nation Policy Summit Reimbursement Form: ALEC offers two scholarships per state to cover the cost of travel, room & tax, and registration not to exceed \$1,000.00 per person for a total of \$2,000.00 per state. ALEC scholarship recipients must be named by the ALEC State Chair. Expenses are submitted to the State Chair and reimbursed after the conference. The State Chair submits the signed form to the Director of Membership.
- 2. **State Scholarship Reimbursement Form**: Any other fees or payments must come out of the state scholarship account, with the approval of the State Chair. Receipts must be submitted to the State Chair, who submits the signed form to the Director of Membership.

ALEC Academies:

Academy Reimbursement Form: Attendees of ALEC Academies are reimbursed by the Task Force Committee hosting the Academy. Attendees will receive a form at the Academy, and will be reimbursed up to \$500.00 for travel, and room & tax fees for a two-night stay by ALEC. Receipts must be forwarded to the appropriate Task Force Director and approved by the Director of Policy.



American Legislative Exchange Council TASK FORCE OPERATING PROCEDURES

I. MISSION OF TASK FORCES

Assume the primary responsibility for identifying critical issues, developing ALEC policy, and sponsoring educational activities which advance the Jeffersonian principles of free markets, limited government, federalism, and individual liberty. The mission will be accomplished through a non-partisan, public and private partnership between ALEC's legislative and private sector members in the specific subject areas assigned to the Task Force by the Board of Directors.

II. TASK FORCE RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. Task Forces have the primary responsibility for identifying critical issues and developing ALEC's official policy statements and model legislation appropriate to the specific subject areas of the Task Force.
- B. Task Forces serve as forums for an exchange of ideas and sharing of experiences between ALEC's state legislator and private sector members.
- C. Task Forces are responsible for developing and sponsoring the following educational activities appropriate to the specific subject area of the Task Force:
 - publications that express policy positions, including, but not limited to State Factors and Action Alerts;
 - educational communication and correspondence campaigns;
 - issue specific briefings, press conferences and press campaigns;
 - witness testimony and the activities of policy response teams;
 - workshops at ALEC's conferences; and
 - specific focus events.
- D. <u>The Executive Director is to Task Forces are responsible for</u> developing <u>an annual budgets</u>, which shall include expenses associated with Task Force meetings and educational activities. A funding mechanism to finance all meetings and educational activities proposed by Task Forces must be available before they can be undertaken.

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III. GENERAL PROCEDURES

A. Requests from ALEC members for policy statements, model legislation and educational activities shall be directed by the Executive Director to the appropriate Task Force, or the Board of Directors if the issue does not fall within the jurisdiction of any Task Force. The appropriate Public and Private Sector Task Force Co-Chairs determine the agenda for each Task Force meeting, and the meetings will be called and conducted in accordance with these Operating Procedures.

The Director of Policy with the consent of the Executive Director assigns a model bill or resolution to the most appropriate Task Force based on Task Force content and prior jurisdictional history 35 days before a Task Force Meeting. All Task Force Co-Chairs will be provided an email or fax summary of all model bills and resolutions 35 days before the Task Force meeting

If both the Co-Chairs of a Task Force are in agreement that they should have jurisdiction on model legislation or a resolution, the legislation or resolution will be considered by the Task Force. If the other Task Force Co-Chairs believe they should have jurisdiction or if the author of the model bill or resolution does not agree on the jurisdictional assignment of the bill, they will have 10 days after the 35-day mailer deadline to submit in writing or by electronic appeal to the Director of Policy their intent to challenge the jurisdiction assignment. The Director of Policy will notify the Executive Director who will in turn notify the National Chair and the Private Enterprise Board Chair. The National Chair and the Private Enterprise Board Chair will in turn refer the matter in question to the Board of Directors Task Force Board Committee. The Director of Policy will establish a conference call for the Task Force Board Committee co- chairs, the author, the affected Task Force Co-Chairs and the Director of Policy at a time convenient for all participants.

The Task Force Board Committee Co-Chairs shall listen to the jurisdictional dispute by phone or in person within 10 days of the request. If both Task Force Board Committee Co-Chairs are in agreement that the Director of Policy made an incorrect jurisdictional referral, only then will the model bill or resolution be reassigned to a committee as they specify once agreed upon by the National Chair and the Private Enterprise Board Chair. The bill or model resolution is still eligible to be heard in whatever Task Force it is deemed to be assigned to as if submitted to the correct Task Force for the 35-day mailer. The National Chair and the Private Enterprise Board Chair decision is final on this model bill or resolution.

Joint referral of model legislation and/or resolutions are allowed if all the affected Task Force Co-Chairs agree. All model legislation and resolutions that have been referred to, more than one Task Force must pass the identical language in both Task Forces within two consecutive Task Force meetings. It is at the Task Force

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Co-Chairs discretion how they will handle the hearings of the model legislation or resolution. Both sets of co-chairs have the ability to call a working group, subcommittee, or simply meet consecutively or concurrently if necessary.

If the Task Force co-chairs both agree to waive jurisdiction, they may do so as long as another Task Force still has jurisdiction.

The National Chair and the Private Sector Board Chair will rely upon the Task Force Board Committee Co-Chairs for advice and recommendations on model legislation or resolutions when no jurisdiction in any of the existing Task Forces in operation can be found. The Task Force Board Committee Co-Chairs will work with the Executive Director and the Director of Policy to identify public and private sector Task Force members (not alternates) from the existing Task Forces should their expertise be of assistance to the Task Force Board Committee in reaching a determination and recommendation for approval by the National Chair and the Private Enterprise Board Chair.

- B. The National Chair and the Private Sector Board Chair will rely upon the Task Force Board Committee Co-Chairs for advice and recommendations on model legislation or resolutions when no jurisdiction in any of the existing Task Forces in operation can be found. The Task Force Board Committee Co-Chairs will work with the Executive Director and the Director of Policy to identify public and private sector Task Force members (not alternates) from the existing Task Forces should their expertise be of assistance to the Task Force Board Committee in reaching a determination and recommendation for approval by the National Chair and the Private Enterprise Board Chair.
- C. The Board of Directors shall have ultimate authority over Task Force procedures and actions including the authority to create, to merge or to disband Task Forces and to review Task Force actions in accordance with these Operating Procedures. Nothing in these Operating Procedures prohibits the Board of Directors from developing ALEC policy; however, such a practice should be utilized only in exceptional circumstances. Before the policy is adopted by the Board of Directors, it should be sent to the Public and Private Sector Task Force Co-Chairs under whose jurisdiction the matter falls for review and comment back to the Board of Directors.
- D. The operating cycle of a Task Force is two years. A new operating cycle begins on January 1 of each odd numbered year and ends on December 31 of the following even numbered year. Task Force activities shall be planned and budgeted on an annual basis within each two-year operating cycle.
- E. At the ALEC Annual Meeting, each Task Force will be responsible for determining an operating budget for the succeeding calendar year. The Executive Director will notify the Task Force Co-Chairs, at the ALEC Annual Meeting, what inflation factor will be used by the Task Force to determine the operating

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and programming budgets. Task Force membership and budget information will be reported to the Executive Director by the Public and Private Sector Task Force Co-Chairs. The Executive Director will present this information to the Board of Directors at its regular fall meeting.

- F. If a Task Force is unable to develop an operating budget, the Board of Directors will determine whether to continue the operations of the Task Force. This determination will be made according to: (1) the level of membership on the Task Force, and (2) the need for continued services developed by the Task Force for ALEC.
- G. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to allocate limited general support funds to finance the annual operating budget of Task Forces that meet the requirements prescribed in Section III (E). The Executive Director shall determine, and report to the Board of Directors, the amount of general support funds available to underwrite such Task Forces.

IV. MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. The membership of a Task Force consists of legislators who are members in good standing of ALEC and are duly appointed to the Task Force, in accordance with Section VI (A) and private sector organizations that are full members of ALEC, contribute to the assessment for the Task Force operating budget, and are duly appointed to the Task Force, in accordance with Section VI (B). Private sector organizations that were full members of ALEC and contributed the assessment for the Task Force's operating budget in the previous year, can be appointed to the Task Force for the current year, conditional upon renewal of full ALEC membership and receipt of the current year's assessment for the Task Force operating budget prior to March 31st, unless an alternative date has been approved by the Executive Director.
- B. Each Task Force shall have <u>least</u> two Co-Chairs; a Public Sector Task Force Co-Chair and a Private Sector Task Force Co-Chair. The Public Sector Task Force Co-Chair must be a member of the Task Force and appointed in accordance with Section VI (A). The Private Sector Co-Chair must represent a private sector member of the Task Force and be appointed in accordance with Section VI(B). The Co-Chairs shall be responsible for:
 - (1) calling the Task Force and the Executive Committee meetings to order, setting the agenda and co-chairing such meetings;
 - (2) appointing and removing legislators and private sector members to and from the Task Force Executive Committee and subcommittees:
 - (3) creating subcommittees, and determining each subcommittee's mission, membership limit, voting rules, deadlines, and term of service; and

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- (4) selecting Task Force members to provide support for and against Task Force policies during formal Board reviews.
- C. Each Task Force shall have an Executive Committee appointed by the Public and Private Sector Task Force Co-Chairs that is appropriate in number to carry out the work product and strategic plan of ALEC and the Task Force. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Public Sector Task Force Co-chair, the Private Sector Task Force Co-Chair, the subcommittee co-chairs, and the remainder will be an equal number of legislative and private sector Task Force members. The Executive Committee will be responsible for determining the operating budget and proposing plans, programs and budgets for the succeeding year in accordance with (Section V (B); determining if a proposed educational activity conforms to a previously approved model bill, resolution or policy statement in accordance with (Section IX (F); and determining if an emergency situation exists that justifies waiving or reducing appropriate time limits in accordance with (Section VIII (H)).
- D. Each Task Force may have any number of subcommittees, consisting of Task Force members and advisors to focus on specific areas and issues and make policy recommendations to the Task Force. The Task Force Co-chairs, shall create subcommittees and determine each subcommittee's mission, membership limit, voting rules, deadlines, and term of service. Any model bill, resolution or policy statement approved by a subcommittee must be approved by the Task Force before it can be considered official ALEC policy.
- E. Each Task Force may have advisors, appointed in accordance with Section VI (G). Advisors shall assist the members and staff of the Task Force. They shall be identified as advisors on official Task Force rosters, included in all official Task Force mailings and invited to all Task Force meetings. Advisors may also have their expenses paid at Task Force meetings covered by the Task Force operating budget with the approval of the Task Force Co-Chairs. An advisor cannot be designated as the primary contact of a private sector Task Force member, cannot be designated to represent a private sector Task Force member at a Task Force, Executive Committee, or subcommittee meeting, and cannot offer or vote on any motion at a Task Force, Executive Committee, or subcommittee meeting.

V. Task Force Budgets

- A. Each Task Force shall develop and operate a yearly budget to fund meetings.
- B. The operating budget shall be used primarily to cover expenses for Task Force meetings, unless specific funds within the budget are authorized for other use by the Task Force. The operating budget shall be assessed equally among the private sector members of the Task Force. The Executive Director, in consultation with the Task Force Co-Chairs shall determine which costs associated with each meeting will be reimbursed from the operating budget. Any funds remaining in a

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- Task Force's operating budget at the end of a year are transferred to ALEC's general membership account.
- C. The operating budget shall not be used to cover Task Force meeting expenses associated with alternate task force members' participation, unless they are appointed by their State Chair to attend the Spring Task Force Summit with the purpose to serve in place of a Task Force Member who is unable to attend. Task Force meeting expenses of alternate task force members shall be covered by their state's scholarship account.
- D. The programming budget shall be used to cover costs associated with educational activities. Contributions to the programming budget are separate, and in addition to operating budget contributions and annual general support/membership contributions to ALEC. The Executive Director shall determine the contribution required for each educational activity.

VI. PROCESS FOR SELECTING TASK FORCE MEMBERS, CHAIRS, COMMITTEES AND ADVISORS

- Prior to February 1 of each odd-numbered year, the current and immediate past A. National chairman will jointly select and appoint in writing three legislative members and three alternates to the Task Force who will serve for the current operating cycle, after receiving nominations from ALEC's Public and Private State Chairs, the Executive Director and the ALEC Public and Private Sector members of the Board. At any time during the year, the National Chairman may appoint in writing new legislator members to each Task Force, except that no more than three legislators from each state may serve as members of any Task Force, no legislator may serve on more than one Task Force and the appointment cannot be made earlier than thirty days after the new member has been nominated. In an effort to ensure the nonpartisan nature of each Task Force, it is recommended that no more than two legislators of any one political party from the same state be appointed to serve as members of any Task Force. A preference will be given to those ALEC legislator members who serve on or chair the respective Committee in their state legislature. A preference will be given to legislators who sponsor ALEC Task Force model legislation in the state legislature.
- B. Prior to January 10 of each odd-numbered year, the current and immediate past National Chairman will jointly select and appoint in writing the Task Force Chair who will serve for the current operating cycle, after receiving nominations from the Task Force. Nominations will be requested by the outgoing Task Force Chair and may be placed in rank order prior to transmittal to the Executive Director no later than December 1 of each even-numbered year. No more than five names may be submitted in nomination by the outgoing Task Force chair. The current and immediate past National Chairmen will jointly make the final selection, but

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should give strong weight to the recommendations of the outgoing Task Force Chair. In an effort to empower as many ALEC leaders as possible, State Chairs and members of the Board of Directors will not be selected as Task Force Chairs. Task Force Chairs shall serve for one operating cycle term. Where special circumstances warrant, the current and immediate past National Chairmen may reappoint a Task Force Chair to a second operating cycle term.

- C. Prior to February 1 of each odd numbered year, the Public and Private Sector Task Force Co-Chairs will select and appoint in writing the legislative and private sector members of the Task Force Executive Committee, who will serve for the current operating cycle. The Public and Private Sector Task Force Co-Chairs will select and appoint in writing the legislative and private sector members and advisors to any subcommittee.
- D. Prior to February 1 of each year, the Private Enterprise Board Chair and the immediate past Private Enterprise Board Chair will select and appoint in writing the private sector members to the Task Force who will serve for the current year. The appointment letter shall be mailed to the individual designated as the primary contact for the private sector entity. At any time during the year, the Chair of the Private Enterprise Board may appoint in writing new private sector members to each Task Force, but no earlier than thirty days after the new member has qualified for full membership in ALEC and contributed the assessment for the appropriate Task Force's operating budget.
- E. Prior to January 10 of each odd-numbered year, the Chair of the Private Enterprise Board and the immediate past Private Enterprise Board Chair will select and appoint in writing the Task Force Private Sector Co-Chair who will serve for the current operating cycle, after receiving nominations from the Task Force. Nominations will be requested by the outgoing Task Force Private Sector Chair and may be placed in rank order prior to transmittal to the Chair of the Private Enterprise Board. The Chair and the immediate past Chair of the Private Enterprise Board will make the final selection, but should give strong weight to the recommendations of the outgoing Private Sector Task Force Co-Chair. In an effort to empower as many ALEC private sector members as possible, Private Enterprise State Chairs and members of the Private Enterprise Board will not be selected as Private Sector Task Force Co-Chairs. Private Sector Task Force Co-Chairs shall serve for one operating cycle term. Where special circumstances warrant, the current and immediate past Chair of the Private Enterprise Board may reappoint a Task Force Private Sector Chair to a second operating cycle term.
- F. Prior to February 1 of each odd-numbered year, the Task Force Private Sector Co-Chair will select and appoint in writing the private sector members of the Task Force Executive Committee, who will serve for the current operating cycle. The Task Force Private Sector Co-Chair shall select and appoint in writing the private sector members of any subcommittees.

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G. The Public and Private Sector Task Force Co-Chairs, may jointly appoint subject matter experts to serve as advisors to the Task Force. The National Chair and the Private Enterprise Board Chair may also jointly recommend to the Task Force Co-Chairs subject matter experts to serve as advisors to the Task Force.

VII. REMOVAL AND VACANCIES

- A. The National Chair may remove any Public Sector Task Force Co-Chair from his position and any legislative member from a Task Force with or without cause. Such action will not be taken except upon thirty days written notice to such Chair or member whose removal is proposed. For purposes of this subsection, cause may include failure to attend two consecutive Task Force meetings.
- B. The Public Sector Task Force Co-Chair may remove any legislative member of an Executive Committee or subcommittee from his position with or without cause. Such action shall not be taken except upon thirty days written notice to such member whose removal is proposed. For purposes of this subsection, cause may include failure to attend two consecutive meetings.
- C. The Chairman of the Private Enterprise Board may remove any Private Sector Task Force Co-Chair from his position and any private sector member from a Task Force with cause. Such action shall not be taken except upon thirty days written notice to such Chair or member whose removal is proposed. For purposes of this subsection, cause may include but is not limited to the non-payment of ALEC General Membership dues and the Task Force dues.
- D. The Private Sector Task Force Co-Chair may remove any private sector member of an Executive Committee or subcommittee from his position with cause. Such action shall not be taken except upon thirty days written notice to such member whose removal is proposed. For purposes of this subsection, cause may include but is not limited to the non-payment of ALEC General Membership dues and the Task Force dues.
- E. The Public and Private Sector Task Force Co-Chairs may remove an advisor from his position with or without cause. Such action shall not be taken except upon thirty days written notice to such advisor whose removal is proposed.
- F. Any member or advisor may resign from his position as Public Sector Task Force Co-Chair, Private Sector Task Force Co-Chair, public or private sector Task Force member, Task Force advisor, Executive Committee member or subcommittee member at any time by writing a letter to that effect to the Public Sector and Private Sector Task Force Co-Chairs. The letter should specify the effective date of the resignation, and if none is specified, the effective date shall be the date on which the letter is received by the Public and Private Task Force Co-Chairs.

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G. All vacancies for Public Sector Task Force Co-Chair, Private Sector Task Force Co-Chair, Executive Committee member and subcommittee member shall be filled in the same manner in which selections are made under Section VI. All vacancies to these positions must be filled within thirty days of the effective date of the vacancy.

VIII. MEETINGS

- A. Task Force meetings shall only be called by the joint action of the Public and Private Sector Task Force Co-Chairs. Task Force meetings cannot be held any earlier than thirty-five days after being called, unless an emergency situation has been declared pursuant to Section VIII(H), in which case Task Force meetings cannot be held any earlier than ten days after being called. It is recommended that, at least once a year, the Task Forces convene in a common location for a joint Task Force Summit. Executive Committee meetings shall only be called by the joint action of the Public and Private Sector Task Force Co-Chairs and cannot be held any earlier than three days after being called, unless the Executive Committee waives this requirement by unanimous consent.
- B. At least forty-five days prior to a task force meeting any model bill, resolution or policy must be submitted to ALEC staff that will be voted on at the meeting. At least thirty-five days prior to a Task Force meeting, ALEC staff shall distribute copies of any model bill, resolution or policy statement that will be voted on at that meeting. This requirement does not prohibit modification or amendment of a model bill, resolution or policy statement at the meeting. This requirement may be waived if an emergency situation has been declared pursuant to Section VIII(H).
- C. All Task Force meetings are open to registered attendees and invited guests of ALEC meetings and conferences. Only regular Task Force Members may introduce any resolution, policy statement or model bill._ Only Task Force members will be allowed to participate in the Task Force meeting discussions and be seated at the table during Task Force meetings, unless otherwise permitted by the Public and Private Sector Task Force Co-Chairs.
- D. ALEC private sector member organizations may only be represented at Task Force and Executive Committee meetings by the individual addressed in the appointment letter sent pursuant to Section VI(D) or a designee of the private sector member. If someone other than the individual addressed in the appointment letter is designated to represent the private sector member, the designation must be submitted in writing to the Public and Private Sector Task Force Co-Chairs before the meeting, and the individual cannot represent any other private sector member at the meeting.

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- E. All Task Force and Executive Committee meetings shall be conducted under the guidelines of Roberts Rules of Order, except as otherwise provided in these Operating Procedures. A copy of the Task Force Operating Procedures shall be included in the briefing packages sent to the Task Force members prior to each meeting.
- F. A majority vote of legislative members present and voting and a majority vote of the private sector members present and voting, polled separately, are required to approve any motion offered at a Task Force or Executive Committee meeting. A vote on a motion to reconsider would be only with the sector that made the motion. Members have the right, in a voice vote, to abstain and to vote present by roll-call vote. In all votes a member can change their vote up until the time that the result of the vote is announced. Only duly appointed members or their designee as stated in Section VIII (D) that are present at the meeting may vote on each motion. No proxy, absentee or advance voting is allowed.
- G. The Public Sector Task Force Co-Chair and the Private Sector Task Force Co-Chair, with the concurrence of a majority of the Executive Committee, polled in accordance with Section VIII (F), may schedule a Task Force vote by mail or fax any form of electronic communication on any action pertaining to policy statements, model legislation or educational activity. The deadline for the receipt of votes can be no earlier than thirty-five days after notification of the vote is mailed or faxed notified by any form of electronic communication, unless an emergency situation is declared pursuant to Section VIII (H), in which case the deadline can be no earlier than ten days after notification is mailed or faxed notified by any form of electronic communication. Such votes are exempt from all rules in Section VIII, except: (1) the requirement that copies of model legislation and policy statements be mailed or faxed notified by any form of electronic communication with the notification of the vote and (2) the requirement that a majority of legislative members voting and a majority of the private sector members voting, polled separately, is required to approve any action by a Task Force.
- H. For purposes of Sections VIII(A), (B) and (G), an emergency situation can be declared by:
 - (1) Unanimous vote of all members of the Task Force Executive Committee present at an Executive Committee meeting prior to the meeting at which the Task Force votes on the model bill, resolution or policy statement; or
 - (2) At least three-fourth majority vote of the legislative and private sector Task Force members (voting in accordance with Section VIII (F)) present at the meeting at which the members vote on the model bill, resolution or policy statement.

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I. Ten Task Force members shall constitute a quorum for a Task Force meeting. One-half of the legislative and one-half of the private sector members of an Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum for an Executive Committee meeting.

IX. REVIEW AND ADOPTION PROCEDURES

- A. All Task Force policy statements, model bills or resolutions shall become ALEC policy either: (1) upon adoption by the Task Force and affirmation by the Board of Directors or (2) thirty days after adoption by the Task Force if no member of the Board of Directors requests, within those thirty days, a formal review by the Board of Directors. General information about the adoption of a policy position may be announced upon adoption by the Task Force.
- B. The Executive Director shall notify the Board of Directors of the approval by a Task Force of any policy statement, model bill or resolution within ten days of such approval. Members of the Board of Directors shall have thirty days from the date of Task Force approval to review any new policy statement, model bill or resolution prior to adoption as official ALEC policy. Within those thirty days, any member of the Board of Directors may request that the policy be formally reviewed by the Board of Directors before the policy is adopted as official ALEC policy.
- C. A member of the Board of Directors may request a formal review by the Board of Directors. The request must be in writing and must state the cause for such action and a copy of the letter requesting the review shall be sent by the National Chairman to the appropriate Task Force Chair. The National Chairman shall schedule a formal review by the Board of Directors no later than the next scheduled Board of Directors meeting.
- D. The review process will consist of key members of the Task Force, appointed by the Task Force Chair, providing the support for and opposition to the Task Force position. Position papers may be faxed or otherwise quickly transmitted to the members of the Board of Directors. The following is the review and adoption procedures:
 - Notification of Committee: Staff will notify Task Force Chairs and the entire task force when the Board requests to review one of the Task Forces' model bills or resolutions.
 - Staff Analysis: Will be prepared in a neutral fashion. The analyses will include:
 - o History of Task Force action
 - o Previous ALEC official action/resolutions
 - Issue before the board
 - o Proponents arguments

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- o Opponents arguments
- Standardized Review Format: To ensure fairness, a set procedure will be used as the format to ensure the model bill/resolution has a fair hearing before the Board.
 - Task Force Chair(s) will be invited to attend the Board Review
 - o Task Force Chair(s) will decide who will present in support and in opposition for the model bill/resolution before the Board.
 - o Twenty minutes that is equally divided will be given for both sides to present before the Board.
 - It is suggested that the Board not take more than twenty minutes to ask questions of the presenters.
 - o Presenters will then be excused and the Board will have a suggested twenty more minutes for discussion and vote.
 - All votes will be recorded for the official record.
- Notification of Committee: The Director of Policy will notify presenters immediately after the vote. If the Board votes to send the model bill/resolution back to the task force, the Board will instruct the Director of Policy or another board member what to communicate.
- E. The Board of Directors can:
 - (1) Vote to affirm the policy or affirm the policy by taking no action, or
 - (2) Vote to disapprove the policy, or
 - (3) Vote to return the policy to the Task Force for further consideration providing reasons therefore.
- F. Task Forces may only undertake educational activities that are based on a policy statement, model bill or resolution that has been adopted as official ALEC policy, unless the Task Force votes to undertake the educational activity, in which case the educational activity is subjected to the same review process outlined in this Section. It is the responsibility of the Task Force Executive Committee to affirm by three-fourths majority vote conducted in accordance with Section VIII that an educational activity conforms to a policy statement, model bill or resolution.

X. EXCEPTIONS TO THE TASK FORCE OPERATING PROCEDURES.

Exceptions to these Task Force Operating Procedures must be approved by the Board of Directors.

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